GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1063
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FIXATION OF MSP OF HONEY
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Honey producers in Kanyakumari District are in languishing in lurch for want of Minimum Support Price (MSP) not marketability of Honey;

(b) if so, whether there is any scheme to procure the Stagnating Honey with the Co-operative Societies fixing up a reasonable price and arrange for its marketability throughout the nation so as to save the producers, and

(c) if so, the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION(DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): The Government has not received any report/proposal regarding Minimum Support Price (MSP) and non marketability of Honey in Kanyakumari District in Tamil Nadu.

(b): The Tamil Nadu Khadi & Village Industries Board have constituted a committee comprising of members from Khadi & Village Industries Commission and Cooperative Societies in Kanyakumari Districts for supporting the bee keepers.

(c): The committee has fixed a purchase rate of raw honey at Rs. 48/-per kg during the honey flow season and for the year 2005.